

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3550

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 1940

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, SY

SUBJECT: C-130

REF: STATE 122079

1. PROPOSE DISCUSS SUBJECT DURING NEXT MEETING WITH SHIHABI WHICH I AM REQUESTING FOR MAY 29. DO NOT RPT NOT SEE ANY POINT BEATING AROUND BUSH WITH SARG ON THIS SUBJECT. PREFER REVIEWING SITUATION WITH SHIHABI DIRECTLY INSTEAD OF UTILIZING LOCKHEED FOR OUR REPLY SINCE WE COULD NOT CONTROL COMPANY'S PRESENTATION.

2. WOULD PLAN TO SAY:

A. WE ARE HAPPY COOPERATE WITH SYRIA IN FIELD OF CIVIL AVIATION BUT MILITARY AIRCRAFT BEYOND RANGE OF POSSIBLE AT THIS JUNCTURE.

B. SPECIFICALLY, C-130 SALE NOT IN CARDS AT PRESENT AND IT WOULD BE USELESS AND EMBARRASSING FOR SARG TO PRESS LOCKHEED MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION TO USG.

C. WE ARE NOT OPPOSED IN PRINCIPLE TO MILITARY COOPERATION WITH SYRIA AND HOPE THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP WILL DEVELOP IN MANNER THAT WILL MAKE SALES OF EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS C-130'S, POSSIBLE IN FUTURE BUT THIS WILL TAKE TIME AND ALSO DEPEND ON OVERALL PROGRESS TOWARD A PEACE SETTLEMENT.

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3. ADVISE IMMEDIATE IF ANY OBJECTION FOREGOING PRESENTATION.

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